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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In order to fulfill the requirements of candor and good faith set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicant submits herewith the following Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and §1.98.

FOREIGN PATENT APPLICATIONS

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Japan	2001-166972	June 22, 2001
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The above-referenced documents are listed on PTO Form 1449. A copy of each of the listed documents is enclosed. A full English translation of Japanese Publication Nos. 2001166972 and 09-018540 is enclosed. An English Abstract of PCT Publication No. WO 00/14740 is enclosed. A full English translation of Japanese Patent Publication No. WO 00/14740 is not readily available.

These references were cited in an office action dated September 29, 2008 which was received by Applicant in his corresponding Japanese application No. 2007-062083, which is a divisional application of basic Japanese application No. JP2003-69942. A copy of the Office Action (in Japanese) is enclosed. Accordingly, it is respectfully urged that this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(c)(1), and that no fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(c)(2) is due. However, if any additional fees are due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 502335. A duplicate copy of this document is enclosed for that purpose.

Applicant is not aware of any other references to be identified at this time. If the Examiner has any questions or comments relating to the present application, he or she is respectfully invited to contact Applicant's attorney at the telephone number set forth below.

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